

Utopia Film Festival Presents “Mr. Stokes” to “Led Zeppelin”

by Susan Gervasi

Lights! Camera! Action! From Saturday, October 19 through Sunday, October 20 Greenbelt’s Utopia Film Festival 2013 will screen more than 40 independent documentaries, dramas, short films, foreign films, animated films by-and-for kids and experimental works. Many filmmakers will be available to answer questions after films ranging from war and peace to rock and roll – with civil rights, community-building, sci-fi and other diverse subjects in the mix.

This year’s festival also features several East Coast premieres, movies with Greenbelt links and works by Washington-area directors.

“I love telling stories from my suburban Maryland universe, and the story of Led Zeppelin’s first local concert in a nearby gymnasium – and whether it actually happened or not – was irresistible,” said Silver Spring Director Jeff Krulik, whose critically-acclaimed documentary “Led Zeppelin Played Here” screens at 2 p.m. on Sunday, October 20 in the P&G Old Greenbelt Theatre.

Krulik’s film aims to get to the bottom of an enduring truth

– or fiction: that on a cold night in 1969, Led Zeppelin played for a crowd of 50 at the Wheaton Youth Center. Krulik and Greenbelt resident and author Mark Opsasnick – who appears in the film – will take questions afterward.

Besides the P&G Old Greenbelt Theatre, Utopia will include three other venues: the Greenbelt Community Center, the Greenbelt Municipal Building and Beltway Plaza’s Academy Theaters.

Another local filmmaker, Sam Hampton, directed the documentary “Mr. Stokes’ Mission,” which focuses on a 1951 civil rights protest by students at a segregated Virginia high school – an action which became part of the landmark 1954 Supreme Court case “Brown v. Board of Education” outlawing school segregation. Hampton will offer a Q&A after his film, which shows at 4 p.m. on Sunday, October 20 in the Municipal Building.

“I wanted to explore how it felt, from various perspectives, to be a young student in the middle of a situation in 1951 where racial discrimination was occurring,” said Hampton. “And

challenge the viewer to think about what that history means for us today.”

Though many Utopia 2013 films come from around the world and across the nation, the short film “From Hell to Here” was shot locally and explores combat post-traumatic stress disorder. This is the film’s Washington-area premiere. Greenbelt resident Robert Mitchell, its lead actor, and Director Rachell Shapiro will answer questions following a second film, “DPRK: Land of Whispers.” The two-film program starts at 2 p.m. on Saturday, October 19 in the P&G Old Greenbelt.

“DPRK: Land of Whispers” follows a young filmmaker on a quirky visit to North Korea, where he doggedly attempts to record the streets and people of the isolated nation – despite censorship by tour guides who want to show off glitzy – but empty – hotels, restaurants and casinos. But his camera still manages to capture rarely-seen glimpses of North Korean people and little-known North Korean

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Election 2013

Susan Stewart Seeks Election to Council

Challenger Susan Stewart has submitted her biography for publication in this week’s News Review. Her nomination form has been certified by City Clerk Cindy Murray along with those of incumbents Judith Davis, Konrad Herling, Emmett Jordan, Leta Mach, Silke Pope, Edward Putens, Rodney Roberts and challenger William Orleans.

Biographies of Davis, Putens, Pope, Mach, Herling, Jordan and Roberts were published in prior weeks. Biographies are prepared by the candidates.

Susan Stewart

I was born in Washington, D.C., and raised here in Maryland; however my parents met across the world from here during the Vietnam War. My mother is from South Vietnam and my father is a veteran of the U.S. Army from Talledega, Ala. A middle child to an older brother and younger sister, I grew up living in the Walter Reed army section in Wheaton most of my childhood, until we moved to Silver Spring close to Sligo Creek Park, where my parents still live.

A serious student who excelled in every subject, I pursued a music degree in hopes it would fulfill my passions, while still allowing me time to raise a family and teach children. I received



Susan Stewart

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Stream Restoration Plan Gets Contingent Approval

by Diane Oberg

At its October 14 regular meeting, the Greenbelt City Council gave preliminary approval to a proposal to do stream restoration work in Greenbriar Park. It also referred the report to the Greenbelt Advisory Committee on Environmental Sustainability (GreenACES) and made their approval contingent upon a favorable report from or resolution of any issues identified by that committee. If GreenACES recommends against the project or has issues that could not be resolved with the developer, the project would come back to council for a final decision.

The work would be done at no cost to the city as an off-site stream mitigation project required to offset stream impacts from a commercial development on Route 1 in Beltsville, known as the Jara property. The mitigation work must be done somewhere within the Anacostia Watershed. Using the 2010 “Anacostia River Watershed Restoration Plan and Report,” the developer’s consultant, Environmental Systems Analysis, Inc. (ESA), picked the Greenbriar site as a possible mitigation area. The park is located near the in-

tersection of Hanover Parkway and Mandan Road.

In an earlier meeting, council expressed its interest in the project and authorized further planning. Working with city staff and deciding to use the stream-bed itself as the roadway for construction vehicles during the restoration work, ESA has reduced the tree loss in Greenbriar Park from 20 in the original proposal to nine. There will be some loss of other vegetation and the plan includes extensive replanting. The stream will continue its meandering ways since the stream-bed will not be realigned as had been previously considered.

Degraded System

In a letter to city staff, ESA President Kevin Kelly described the Greenbriar stream as a “degraded system with significant side-slope failures and channel incision.” He noted that the stormwater pond at the site “was designed under older standards and does not provide any channel protection volume controls to the stream,” which he termed an “ephemeral ditch” that only flows when it rains.

Kelly estimated that the work

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What Goes On

Saturday, October 19

9 a.m. to noon (or until the truck is full), Shredding Day, Behind Federal Credit Union

Saturday, October 19

2 to 6 p.m., Fall Fest, Schrom Hills Park

Monday, October 21

8 p.m., Council Worksession, Greenbelt Community Development Corporation/Theater Fundraising at Municipal Building, Live on Verizon 21, Comcast 71, and Streaming at www.greenbeltmd.gov

Tuesday, October 22

7:30 p.m., Greenbelt Advisory Committee on Environmental Sustainability (GreenACES), Greenbelt Community Center

Wednesday, October 23

7:30 p.m., Four Cities Meeting, Municipal Building

Thursday, October 24

7 p.m., Forest Preserve Advisory Board Meeting, Community Center

Friday, October 25

4:30 p.m. sharp, Costume Contest and Parade, Roosevelt Center in front of CURVES

Saturday, October 26

9 a.m. to noon, Electronics Recycling, Public Works Yard, 555 Crescent Road

Election 2013

Answers to Our Question

This year, the Greenbelt News Review poses one question to all candidates for election to the Greenbelt City Council and asks that candidates provide their answers in writing to the News Review no later than Monday, October 7 for publication in an October issue of the News Review. Each week answers from three candidates will be published in the order received. Answers are limited to 500 words or less.

Question: If elected to the Greenbelt City Council what will be your three most important objectives to be accomplished during your term in office and how do you expect to succeed in accomplishing each objective?

Leta Mach

The spirit of Greenbelt is working together. If re-elected, I would work with council members, city staff and Greenbelt citizens to address issues. I have identified three priorities: renovate the movie theater, manage the budget and work to bring all areas of Greenbelt into one community.

Renovating our historic movie theater has been on my agenda since my first election. I testified in Annapolis in support of the state bond to help fund the project. For a number of reasons, it has taken longer than wanted. A few years ago, I decided to become a “broken record” and push us to begin by using city funds to match the grants we have and complete as much as these funds permit. We now have a plan to begin the first phase of the renovation, which will com-

plete much of the needed work including some new upgrades to the equipment that were not anticipated when this project began. Even though it appears we will begin very soon, I intend to be a “broken record” on this project until it is done.

I will respond to budget challenges by carefully evaluating services, exploring partnerships, seeking grants and fostering economic development including new cooperatives. Citizens of Greenbelt support programs that enhance our quality of life. We must look carefully at our programs to see that they are fulfilling our needs. This starts with the budgeting process as departments make proposals, which Council and citizens review.

I’ll encourage opportunities that help promote and market our

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Letters to the Editor

DOT Letter Sets Plan For Southway Ramp

October 10, 2013

Ms. Judith Davis, Mayor
City of Greenbelt
25 Crescent Road
Greenbelt, MD 20770-1886

Subject: Southway Entrance Ramp
Baltimore Washington Parkway

Dear Ms. Davis:
Thank you for your letter of September 9, 2013 expressing concern about the condition of the ramp onto the southbound Baltimore-Washington Parkway from Southway in the City of Greenbelt. The Baltimore-Washington Parkway is owned by the National Park Service. The Federal Highway Administration, Eastern Federal Lands Highway Division is partnering with the National Park Service to complete needed repairs to the Parkway.

We developed plans for the repaving of a section of the Parkway between Maryland 450 and I-495, south of the City of Greenbelt. During plan development for this project, concerns were raised regarding the Southway Ramp. Our Pavement Engineer visited the city in June of this year and observed the separation of the top layer of asphalt from the bottom layer, as noted in your letter. In order to repair this condition, the entire top surface will be removed and replaced with a new layer of asphalt. In this instance, patch-

ing the failed locations will not provide a long term repair, as you have experienced. Due to the condition of the Southway Ramp, we coordinated with the National Park Service to include this work with the designed section of Parkway described above in order to accelerate the repair. This project is scheduled to be awarded this winter with paving starting in the spring of 2014.

If you have any further questions or concerns regarding the repairs to the Southway Ramp, please contact Kim McCool, the Eastern Federal Lands Project Manager, at (571) 434-1569. You may also contact the National Park Service Project Manager, Karen Arey, at (202) 619-6376.

Sincerely yours,
[signed]
Melisa Ridenour, P.E.
Division Engineer

Notice

Next week, October 24, will be the last issue for anyone to write a story or letter to the editor that for the first time brochures a new issue concerning the city council election. This is to give everyone an opportunity to present the other side before the election.

It is our policy not to permit an attack on any individual to be published in this newspaper whether in an article, a letter to the editor or a paid advertisement.

Menu for Senior Nutrition Program

The Senior Nutrition “Food and Friendship” program provides lunches for seniors Monday through Friday at the Community Center beginning at noon. Meals must be reserved by 11 a.m. two days ahead so that enough food is ordered. Call 301-397-2208, ext. 4215.

All meals include bread and margarine, coffee or tea and skim milk. Menus for October 21 through 25 are as follows:

Monday – Orange juice, country-fried steak, mashed potatoes with gravy, spinach, sliced peaches.

Tuesday – Apple juice, maple-glazed chicken, rice pilaf, sliced carrots, diced pears.

Wednesday – Cranberry juice, cream of broccoli soup, sliced roast beef and Swiss cheese, mixed green salad, fresh fruit.

Thursday – Grape juice, potato-crusted fish, black-eyed peas, stewed tomatoes, tropical fruit.

Friday – Cranberry juice, hamburger on a bun, lettuce and tomato, crispy cubed potatoes, green bean tomato salad, apple crisp.

CPAE Has Crafts For Kids Oct. 19

On Saturday, October 19, which is College Park Day, there will be a fun crafts program for kids from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. sponsored by the College Park Arts Exchange (CPAE) at the Herbert Wells Ice Rink, 5211 Paint Branch Parkway.

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Open Microphone For Kids on Sunday

A Kids’ Open Microphone session will take the stage at the New Deal Café on Sunday, October 20 from 1:30 to 2:30 p.m. Children up to age 17 are invited to play a musical instrument, sing, dance, juggle, recite a poem or otherwise perform. Monthly sessions are held on the third Sunday of each month.

For more information call Anne Gardner at 301-220-1721 or email annegrdr@yahoo.com.

Free Diabetes Support Group

Doctors Community Hospital will hold a free diabetes support group on Monday, October 21 from 6 to 7 p.m. The meeting will be held at the hospital’s Joslin Diabetes Center, 8100 Good Luck Road, North Building, 5th floor, DSE Room. To register call 301-324-4968.



Correction

Last week’s What Goes On gave incorrect information about the start time for the GHI Candidates Forum Tuesday evening, October 15. We are sorry for the confusion and while we wish we’d gotten the 7:30 p.m. time correct, we’re relieved at least not to have erred in having people come late and miss parts of this important opportunity to hear from the candidates.

P.S. We were not the only ones to get the time wrong.

OLD GREENBELT THEATRE WEEK OF OCT 18

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FRIDAY

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SATURDAY

*5:20, 7:30, 9:20

SUNDAY

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DEADLINES: Letters, Articles and ads—10 p.m. Tuesday. Materials for publication may be mailed to address above, deposited in our box in the Co-op grocery store (by 7 p.m. Tuesday) or brought to our office in the Community Center, 15 Crescent Road, during office hours. Mail subscriptions—\$45/year.

Greenbelt Community Center at 15 Crescent Rd.
OFFICE HOURS: Monday 2 - 4 p.m., Tuesday 2 - 4, 8 - 10 p.m.

Community Events

At the Library

Read to Rover
Saturday, October 19 at 2 p.m. Children build reading confidence by reading aloud to specially trained therapy dogs. Each child will read for 15 minutes. Registration is required. Call 301-345-5800 for details.

Storytime
On Thursdays, a librarian reads age-appropriate stories to children and parents using imagination and props. Pick up a free ticket from the information desk before the session.

Thursday, October 24, 10:30 a.m. Drop-in Storytime for ages 2 to 5 years mixes stories with fun activities including songs, rhymes and fingerplays. Babies are also welcome. The usual 20-person room limit applies.

Adult Programs
Tuesday, October 22 at 7 p.m., the African History Culture and Lecture Series continues with local historian Asa Gordon's presentation "Past Glory, Modern Shame: The Myths/Realities of the Movie 'Glory.'"

For more information call 301-345-5800, visit the Greenbelt branch library or go to the library system website at pgcmls.info to review accounts, renew materials or for other library services. For automated phone renewal call 301-333-3111.

GHI Notes

Thursday, October 17, 7:30 p.m., Board of Directors Meeting (Open Session) – Board Room
Monday, October 21, 2 p.m., Bylaws Committee Meeting – GHI Library

7 p.m., Pre-purchase Orientation – Board Room

Wednesday, October 23, 7 p.m., Buildings Committee Meeting – Board Room

Thursday, October 24, 6:45 p.m., Investment Committee Meeting – Board Room

7:30 p.m., Finance Committee Meeting – Board Room

Friday, October 25, Office Closed – For emergency maintenance call 301-474-6011.

Note: Committee and board meetings are open; members are encouraged to attend.

Senior Softballers Seek Newcomers

The Greenbelters of the Baltimore Beltway Senior Softball League have moved up to the B Division after another winning season and seek new, competitive-minded teammates.

Manager George Harrison will be at Oktober Fest at Schrom Hills Park on Saturday, October 19 from 2 to 6 p.m. Men must be 60 or older, women at least 50.

A team meeting will be held in February; spring training starts in March and the 40-plus game season begins in April. For more details, see <http://www.baltimore-seniorsoftball.com/teampage/greenbelt/greenbelt.htm> or call Harrison at 301-538-3636 or Assistant Manager Jasper Pendergrass at 301-248-8462.

Greenbelt Rhythm, Drum Festival Sat.

Drum and dance to the beats of Brazil, Africa and the Middle East at the free inaugural Greenbelt Rhythm & Drum Festival outdoors on Saturday, October 19 from 11 a.m. to 11 p.m. in Roosevelt Center.

This daylong free event features performances from D.C.-area drumming ensembles Batala Washington, Cheick Hamala Diabate, Drum Call: Pulse of Africa, Fez Tones Hafla, Akoma Drummers and Bele Bele Rhythm Collective. It celebrates rhythm through participatory drum circles and drumming workshops.

Festivities are for all ages, with children welcome to participate in the drum circles. Workshops and drum circles are suitable for beginners and non-beginners. Between performances, attendees can participate in facilitated drum circles or take part in a drumming workshop. Drums will be provided for free use at the site or can be purchased.

Further information is available at <http://greenbeltrhythmanddrumfestival.org> or at <https://www.facebook.com/Greenbelt-RhythmAndDrumFestival>.

Co-op Events Include Wine, Demos, Shots

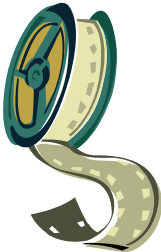
Upcoming offerings at the Co-op Grocery Store and Pharmacy include an array of wine tasting, special food demonstrations and flu shots.

Friday, October 18 from 4 to 7 p.m., Port of Leonardtown, a cooperative vineyard from Southern Maryland, will be offering tomorrow's wine tastings. There will be other wine tastings next Friday, October 25 and on Wednesday, October 30, which is also Patron Appreciation Day.

The monthly Seasonal & Savory Food Demo and Wine Tasting on Wednesday, October 30 from 5 to 7 p.m. will feature a chicken, ham, cheddar and apple pizza and a kale and apple salad in addition to wine.

Along with the other six Greenbelt cooperatives, the Co-op will appear on Sunday, October 27 at the Farmers Market. More information is at www.greenbelt.coop.

Annual Meeting
Looking ahead to Saturday, November 2 the Co-op will hold its annual membership meeting from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the Greenbelt Community Center Gym. Two board members will be elected by the membership in addition to the annual store update. Interested candidates should visit the Co-op website for details.



GDCC to Meet On October 26

On Saturday, October 26 from 2 to 4 p.m. the Greenbelt Community Development Corporation (GDCC) will hold its annual members meeting in the second floor meeting room at the Greenbelt Community Center. The purpose of the GDCC is to enhance the community by improving all aspects of the quality of the life of residents, businesses and visitors.

The main topic of discussion is to be the restoration of this historic movie theater in Roosevelt Center, in which the organization plans to take an active role. The meeting is open to the public and all those interested in the future of the theater are urged to attend.

Members will elect board members at the meeting, can renew their memberships or join.

For more information email Barbara Simon at greenbeltdcc@gmail.com.

EMPTY BOWLS

Oct. 26 4 to 7 p.m.
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Marsha 301-345-7631
Kathy 301-474-4372
Church 301-474-6171

More Community Events
are located
throughout the paper.

Meet and Greet Potluck with City Council Candidate Susan Stewart

Greenbelters are invited to meet City Council candidate Susan Stewart on Sunday, **October 20 at 7-9 pm**

at the home of Jeff and Laurie Lemieux, 92 Ridge Road.
For more information about her campaign, see her Facebook page at <https://www.facebook.com/SusanStewart4CityCouncil> or the City's candidate page at <http://www.greenbeltnmd.gov/index.aspx?nid=536>
Bring a dish if you wish, but definitely bring your questions for Susan!
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Join the Cajun Jam At New Deal Café

On Wednesday, October 23 a free Cajun Jam will be held at the New Deal Café from 7 to 9:30 p.m. for dancers, musicians and listeners; food will available for purchase at 6 p.m. Beginners are welcome. For more information visit www.newdealcafe.com.

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Carrie, R (!)
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Machete Kills, R (!)
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Captain Phillips, PG-13 (!)
11:55, 3:35, 6:45, 9:35
Pulling Strings, PG (!)
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Gravity, in 2D, PG-13
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Gravity in 3D, PG-13
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Baggage Claim, PG-13
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Cloudy With the Chance of
Meatballs 2, PG
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Bad Grandpa, R (!)
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The Counselor, R (!)
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Absentee ballots are available
beginning Oct. 16



Greenbelt Cooperative Alliance Celebrate Co-op Month 2013 in Greenbelt

Oct. 18 4-7 pm: Wine Tasting, wines from Port of Leonardtown, cooperative winery, Co-op Supermarket

Oct. 19 9 am- noon: Greenbelt Federal Credit Union Shredding Event, Municipal Bldg. Parking Lot

2 -4 pm: - Co-opoly Game at the New Deal Café

Oct. 27 10 am-2 pm: – Greenbelt Cooperative Alliance Booth at Farmers Market

Oct. 30 5-7 pm: Wine Tasting, Alsatian cooperative vineyards, Greenbelt Co-op

Club 125 Screens Preview Films Fri.

With this weekend being the Utopia Film Festival, short films from the weekend showings will screen at Club 125 in Roosevelt Center, starting with Friday, October 18 sneak previews. At 7 p.m. the 18-minute film Gears, in which a single father tries after his daughter’s near-fatal accident, to decipher the strange gears he begins finding throughout his home, will be shown. At 8 p.m., 16-minute The Wheel screens – a whimsical, visually imaginative 2012 award winner Steampunk science fiction tale of a dutiful young man who failed to maintain the balance of the world and his mischievous sister who is determined to test the balance.

At 9 p.m. Jack in the Box, 21 minutes is shown. It is based on a thought provoking short story by Ray Bradbury. A young boy living in a secluded mansion with his mother is raised to believe the house is the universe and he will one day become God of the universe. After witnessing life outside the universe the boy begins to question his mother’s lies that unravel the fabric of his existence.

Sunday

Sunday, October 20 from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Club 125 returns to its regular mission with a day-long “Take It Apart” day. Set a week before the city’s Electronic Recycling Day, participants are encouraged to disassemble mechanical or electronic gadgets to see what makes them tick. Intended for screwdrivers and/or hammers, this take apart day is planned as educational fun for all ages. For neatniks without their own recyclables, Club 125 will supply suitable take apart items.

Both films and the recyclable take apart are free and open to all. Membership fees at Club 125 have been waived during the federal and D.C. government shutdowns in support of those in the community experiencing furlough-related hardships.

Explorations Unlimited Visits King’s Poetry

On Friday, October 25 Explorations Unlimited will feature a presentation by Anne King on Astonishing Poetry: Serious and Silly.

King will take a new look at some old and new poems and some creative poetic excesses. Astonishing forms will include limericks and concrete poems. Some listeners choose to remember – or to forget; to hate – or to love – to laugh at or to weep for.

Explorations Unlimited is held on Friday afternoons at 1 p.m. in Room 114 at the Greenbelt Community Center. All are welcome and questions are encouraged. For more information call 301-397-2208.

Beaverdam Creek Has Membership Meeting

Next Thursday, October 24 at 7 p.m. the Beaverdam Creek Watershed Watch Group (BCWWG) will hold a membership drive meeting in Room 109 at the Greenbelt Community Center.

BCWWG is seeking new, dedicated people to help carry on the work the group has been doing since 2005. It has offered many activities for all ages to educate about the Upper Beaverdam Creek subwatershed of the Anacostia River that includes a good portion of Greenbelt and parts of Beltsville. Most of the watershed is on Beltsville Agricultural Research Center (BARC) property and includes NASA’s Goddard grounds and most of the Greenbelt Forest Preserve.

Some BCWWG activities include forums on vital watershed issues, bird walks, bat walks and frog identification trips – the group has sponsored several BARC biodiesel bus tours and Anacostia River guided canoe trips, tree plantings and trash cleanups on the watershed.

Beltsville Garden Club Has October Meeting

The Beltsville Garden Club will meet on Wednesday, October 23, at 7:30 p.m. in the cafeteria of the James E. Duckworth School, 11201 Evans Trail, Beltsville.

This month’s speaker, Lisa Tayerle, will talk on “Winter, Spring, Summer – Deer Resistant Bulbs for Your Garden.” Tayerle has worked as a gardener at Brookside Gardens for 12 years. She combines experience from her architectural and visual arts degrees and horticultural training to design unique summer annual and spring bulb displays, including plantings that are deer-resistant.

Refreshments will be served after the meeting. Club members are asked to bring a plant or plant-related material for the club’s door prize table. The public is welcome and admission is free.

Additional information can be found at the club website at www.beltsvillegardenclub.org.

UM Wind Ensemble Gives Free Concert

In a free concert on Friday, October 18 the University of Maryland Wind Ensemble will introduce audiences to new works for wind band, while continuing its tradition of performing some of the most respected works in the repertoire. The ensemble will perform one of Paul Hindemith’s most popular works, Symphonic Metamorphosis; a wind band arrangement of Bach’s Fantasia in G major for organ; and Ralph Vaughn Williams’ famous work for military band, Folk Song Suite.

The concert will be held in the Dekelboun Concert Hall of the Clarice Smith Performing Arts Center at 8 p.m. Admittance is on a first-come, first-seated basis, beginning at 7:30 p.m.

For more information, visit claricesmithcenter.umd.edu or call 301-405-2787.

St. Andrew’s to Host Renowned Organist

On Sunday, October 27 at 4 p.m. a special organ concert at St. Andrew’s in College Park will be performed by Dr. Richard L. Elliott, FAGO, who is principal organist at the Mormon Tabernacle in Salt Lake City. His varied program for the recital will include original works that have brought him wide acclaim.

Dr. Elliott, a Fellow of the American Guild of Organists, is a graduate of the Curtis Institute of Music in Philadelphia and the Eastman School of Music. One of Elliott’s early organ teachers was St. Andrew’s Director of Music Dale Krider.

A freewill offering will be accepted to support the church’s music program. St. Andrew’s Episcopal Church is at 4512 College Avenue.



Mowatt Memorial United Methodist Church
40 Ridge Road, Greenbelt
Open hearts, Open minds, Open doors
www.greenbeltumc.org 301-474-9410
Rev. Fay Lundin, Pastor
Worship Service 10 a.m.



St. George’s Episcopal Church
Join us around a table where all are welcome!

Services

- Sundays
8 a.m. simple, quiet service (no music)
10 a.m. main service
(music includes a mixture of acoustic guitar, piano and organ music)
- Wednesdays
7 p.m. service with healing prayers (no music)



7010 Glenn Dale Road (Lanham-Severn Road & Glenn Dale Road)
301-262-3285 | rector@stgeo.org | www.stgeo.org

Greenbelt Community Church
UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST




1 Hillside at Crescent Road
Phone: 301-474-6171 mornings
www.greenbeltcommunitychurch.org

Sunday Worship
10:15 a.m.


Clara Young, Interim Pastor



BERWYN PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH




Rev. Mary Pullen - Pastor
301-474-7573
6301 Greenbelt Road
Berwyn Heights, MD 20740



Worship : Sun 11:00 am - 12:00 pm (Child Care Available)
Office Hours : Mon, Thu, Fri 9:00 am - 1:00 pm
Tue, Wed 12:00 pm - 4:00 pm

“A hospitable, multicultural community of faith”

ST. HUGH OF GRENOBLE CATHOLIC CHURCH
135 Crescent Road, Greenbelt, MD 20770
301-474-4322



Mass Schedule:
Sunday 8:00, 9:30, 11:00 a.m.
Saturday 9:00 a.m., 5:00 p.m.
Daily Mass: 7:15 a.m.
Sacrament of Penance: Saturday 3:30-4:30 p.m.

Pastor: Rev. Walter J. Tappe



Greenbelt BAPTIST CHURCH
101 Greenhill Road Greenbelt, MD 20770
(301) 474-4212 www.greenbeltbaptist.org

11:00am Worship Service

UPCOMING EVENTS:

Greenbelt Baptist Church Celebrates 60 years

60th Anniversary Dinner
Saturday, October 19th
At 5:00pm

October 20th
60th Anniversary Sunday:
“The Church at Rest”
Revelation 21:1-8

October 27th
“The Priority of the Gospel”
Philippians 1:12-18


Organ Concert
at St. Andrews Episcopal Church
Sunday – Oct. 27 at 4 pm
Dr. Richard L. Elliott, FAGO is
Principal Organist at Mormon
Tabernacle in Salt Lake City

4512 College Avenue • College Park, MD 20740


Free will offering

Paint Branch Unitarian Universalist Church

3215 Powder Mill Road, Adelphi
Phone: 301-937-3666 www.pbuuc.org



Welcomes you to our open, nurturing community



Sunday, October 20 at 10 a.m.
Guest Preacher Doyle Niemann
with Jonathan Mawdsley, Worship Associate and the Choir
Long-time activist and public servant Doyle Niemann, PBUUC member, will reflect on making Unitarian Universalist principles and values relevant in the real world.
The Special Collection will be taken for the PBUUC Tutoring Program.



Congregation
Mishkan Torah

10 Ridge Road, Greenbelt, MD 20770 301-474-4223

An unpretentious, historic, welcoming, liberal, egalitarian synagogue that respects tradition and becomes your extended family in the 21st century.

Shabbat services: Friday evening at 8:00 PM, except 1st Friday of the month, i.e. family service at 7:30 PM. Saturday morning services at 9:30 AM.
Educational programs for children K–12 and for adults.
Combined innovative full family educational program for parents and children.
Conversion classes. Concert choir. Social Action program.
Opportunity for leadership development.
Moderate, flexible dues. High holiday seating for visitors.
Sisterhood. Men’s Club. Other Social Activities.
Interfaith families are welcome.

Historic synagogue dually affiliated with United Synagogue of Conservative Judaism and the Jewish Reconstructionist Federation



Catholic
Community
of Greenbelt
MASS

Sundays 10 A.M.
Municipal Building

ALL ARE WELCOME.



City Information



CITY OF GREENBELT
DEPARTMENT OF RECREATION
Business Office: 301.397.2200
www.greenbeltmd.gov/recreation



FallFest

Saturday, October 19th
2:00pm-6:00pm
Schrom Hills Park
6915 Hanover Parkway

FAMILY FUN & ENTERTAINMENT:

- Live music by The Knuckle Dusters
- Hayrides
- Moonbounces & Inflatables
- \$1 Pumpkin Patch
- KidCare ID's by Greenbelt Police Department
- Face Painting
- Pumpkin Decorating
- Temporary Tattoos
- Community Groups Information Tables

FANTASTIC FOOD:

AFFORDABLE PRICES! Profits Benefit Community Groups
BURGERS & HOT DOGS, NACHOS, DRINKS, POPCORN, BAKED GOODS & MORE!

FOR EVENT INFORMATION:
301.397.2200

WEATHER INFORMATION HOTLINE:
301.474.0646



SHREDDING DAY

Saturday, October 19th
9 AM – 12 NOON
(or until the truck is full)

The Greenbelt Federal Credit Union will be shredding your documents in the parking lot behind the Credit Union at 112 Centerway

Only 5 file boxes/bags per person; must be present for shredding. Personal records only (no business). No contaminants accepted. Abandoned boxes/bags will be put in the regular trash.

Info: 240-542-2153

VACANCIES ON BOARDS & COMMITTEES

Volunteer to serve on City Council Advisory Groups. There are currently vacancies on: Arts Advisory Board, Greenbelt Advisory Committee on Environmental Sustainability, and Youth Advisory Committee

For information call 301-474-8000.

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www.facebook.com/cityofgreenbelt

ELECTRONICS RECYCLING

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 26
9:00 a.m. - 12:00 noon
Public Works Yard, 555 Crescent Rd

City residents can recycle old and/or unwanted computers and other electronic items.

Accepted items include: TVs, CPUs, monitors, keyboards, mice, printers, laptop computers, recording equipment, speakers, scanners, surge protectors, wires and power cords, fax machines, cameras, telephones, radios, DVD players, VCRs, batteries taped on one end, expanded polystyrene (block "Styrofoam" #6) – NO cups, egg-cartons, nor food trays.

PLEASE CALL IN ADVANCE IF YOU WANT TO DROP-OFF MORE THAN 10 ITEMS OR ITEMS OVER 50 LBS.

For more info: 240-542-2153.

CITY ELECTION INFORMATION

ANY REGISTERED GREENBELT VOTER MAY CHOOSE TO VOTE BY EARLY VOTING or ABSENTEE VOTING NO MORE EXCUSES!

EARLY VOTING: Any qualified voter of the City of Greenbelt may choose to vote by EARLY VOTING.



EARLY VOTING DATES AND LOCATIONS

Schrom Hills Park Clubhouse, 6915 Hanover Pkwy
Saturday, October 19th, 9:00 am to 1:00 pm and
Sunday, October 20th, 11:00 am to 2:00 pm

Springhill Lake Recreation Center
6101 Cherrywood Lane
Saturday, October 26th, 9:00 am to 1:00 pm and
Sunday, October 27th, 11:00 am to 2:00 pm

Greenbelt Municipal Building, 25 Crescent Road
Mondays – Fridays
October 21st – November 1st, 9:00 am – 5:00 pm
Tuesdays until 8:00 pm

ABSENTEE VOTING: Any qualified voter of the City of Greenbelt may choose to vote by absentee ballot. Applications to receive absentee ballots are available in the City Clerk's Office and online at www.greenbeltmd.gov.

Applications to receive absentee ballots must be received by noon on Monday, November 4, 2013. The completed ballot must be received by the City Clerk no later than 6 p.m. the day of the regular election, November 5, 2013. No absentee ballots will be distributed prior to October 16.

Return your executed absentee ballot by 1) sending it through the U.S. mail in time to arrive by November 5, 2) hand-delivering it to the City Clerk's office, or 3) placing it in the locked drop-box at the east door of the Municipal Building at 25 Crescent Road.

Questions? Call the City Clerk at 301-474-8000, or send email to cmurray@greenbeltmd.gov.



FREE FLU SHOT CLINIC

It's Time to Drop In For A FREE Flu Shot !
Monday, October 28
Springhill Lake Recreation Center
6101 Cherrywood Lane from 1 to 7 p.m.


*No Appointment Needed Both intranasal (FluMist®) and injectable (shot) vaccine will be offered.
Under 18 must be accompanied by a parent/guardian.

City of Greenbelt Recreation Department

COSTUME CONTEST & PARADE

Friday, October 25
Starts at 4:30pm Sharp
Roosevelt Center-Centerway

FREE-Registration will be from 4-4:30pm on the grassy area in front of Curves. All ages are encouraged to come dressed in their creative costumes. Prizes will be awarded for the best costumes for infants through 6th grade. Best Family and Pet costumes. Variety show and light refreshments after the parade.



MEETINGS FOR THE WEEK OF OCTOBER 21-25

Monday, October 21 at 8:00pm, **COUNCIL WORK SESSION re: Greenbelt Community Development Corporation/Theater Fundraising** at Municipal Building, 25 Crescent Rd. Live on Verizon 21, Comcast 71 and Streaming at www.greenbeltmd.gov.

Tuesday, October 22 at 7:30pm, **GREENBELT ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON ENVIRONMENTAL SUSTAINABILITY (Green ACES)** at the Greenbelt Community Center, 15 Crescent Road.

Wednesday, October 23 at 7:30pm, **FOUR CITIES MEETING** at Municipal Building, 25 Crescent Road.

Thursday, October 24 at 7:00pm, **FOREST PRESERVE ADVISORY BOARD** at Greenbelt Community Center, 15 Crescent Rd. On the agenda: Review and discussion of draft revisions to Management and Maintenance Guidelines for the Forest Preserve re. community gardens

Monday, October 28 at 7:30pm, **SENIOR CITIZEN'S ADVISORY COMMITTEE**, in room 111 at the Greenbelt Community Center, 15 Crescent Road.

This schedule is subject to change. For confirmation that a meeting is being held call 301-474-8000.

Greenbelt CityLink www.greenbeltmd.gov

CITY ELECTION INFORMATION

As required by Section 14 of the City Charter, Greenbelt will hold a regular City Council election on

Tuesday, November 5, 2013.
Polls will be open from 7 a.m. to 8 p.m.

Anyone qualified registered voter with an address within the corporate limits of the City of Greenbelt may vote in City elections.

If you have questions regarding the upcoming election, please call the City offices at 301-474-8000, use Maryland Relay (711), or send e-mail to the City Clerk at cmurray@greenbeltmd.gov.

A sample ballot is available on a flier at the Municipal Building or on the City Web site at www.greenbeltmd.gov.

Greenbelt Animal Shelter

550A Crescent Rd (rear of the Greenbelt Police Station),
(240) 508-7533
The shelter is open on Wednesdays from 4-7pm and on Saturdays from 9am-12pm or by appointment. See all our pets on Facebook!

FILM FEST continued from page 1

Utopia Film Festival

2013



Greenbelt, MD • Oct 19-20

Above is the newly designed logo for the Utopia Film Festival.

locales, while offering a quirky take on the nation’s authoritarian mind-set.

Former Greenbelt Community Center pottery instructor Courtenay Singer will be here from California to screen her film “Out of the Fire” – about a Virginia potter who specializes in the wood-firing of pots – an ancient-but-revived pottery technique. The film screens at noon on Saturday, October 19 in the P&G Old Greenbelt. There will be a question and answer session after the documentary.

Many Utopia films offer fascinating glimpses of foreign nations. “Flying Paper,” about some Palestinian children who want to break the Guinness Book of World Records for the most kites ever flown at once, makes its East Coast premiere at Utopia. The film will be introduced by Chris McGrath of the United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East. McGrath will take questions about life in Gaza following the film. “Flying Paper” screens at 2 p.m. Saturday, October 19 in the Municipal Building. Another film deals engagingly with the beginnings of computer science in the Stalinist Soviet Union.

“I made my film to shine a spotlight on a significant chapter of computing history and to acknowledge Russian computer scientists, who are still relatively unknown in the US,” said filmmaker Anya Belkina, whose brilliant animation about her grandfather’s difficult life will screen at 4 p.m. on Saturday, October 19 at the P&G Old Greenbelt.

But social issues here in the United States, past and present, have always been part of Utopia. The poignant documentary “A Girl Like Her” looks at the plight of unmarried and pregnant young women and girls in the 1950s and 60s, when attitudes forced many into hiding away and relinquishing their children to closed adoption. “A Girl Like Her” will screen at noon on Sunday, October 20 in the P&G Old Greenbelt, with two relinquishing mothers heard in the film to take questions.

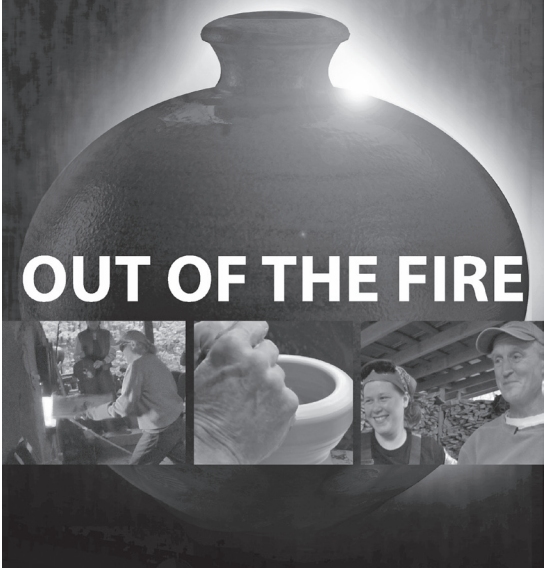
Several free programs will also be offered: a program for youngsters (noon to 2 p.m. Sunday in the Municipal Building), a workshop on documentary filmmaking (5 p.m. Sunday in the Municipal Building), and from 8 to 10 p.m. Sunday, a special free program of Utopia selections at Beltway Plaza Mall’s Academy Theaters. For the other venues there is a fee.

Utopia venues are: P&G Old Greenbelt Theatre, 129 Centerway; Greenbelt Community Center, 15 Crescent Road; Greenbelt Municipal Building, 25 Crescent Road; and Beltway Plaza Academy Theaters, 6198 Greenbelt Road. For full film descriptions and schedule, see <http://www.utopiafilmfestival.org/>.

Utopia is a project of nonprofit Greenbelt Access Television (GATE).

Susan Gervasi is executive director of the Utopia Film Festival 2013.

Passion. Creation. Risk.



OUT OF THE FIRE

Jeff Krulik presents

Led Zeppelin Played Here

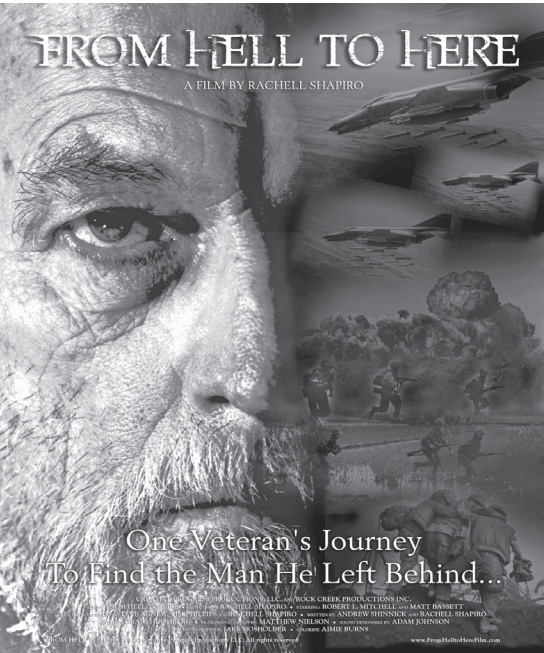
January 20, 1969—were you there?



1 Show Only
October 20 @ 2 pm
Utopia Film Festival 2013
Greenbelt, MD
For more info online
utopiafilmfestival.org

FROM HELL TO HERE

A FILM BY RACHEL SHAPIRO



One Veteran's Journey
To Find the Man He Left Behind...

Canine Good Citizen Tests to Be Sunday

Sunday, October 20 from noon to 3 p.m. Canine Good Citizen Tests will be administered by Allie W. Lee, professional obedience instructor and American Kennel Club (AKC) Certified

Canine Good Citizen Evaluator, at the Greenbelt volunteer fire house, 125 Crescent Road.

Dogs will be tested in the order they arrive and register – the actual test takes 10 to 15 minutes so those bringing a dog should allow a half hour for each one to be tested.

There is a fee for each test, with all proceeds donated to the Greenbelt Volunteer Fire Department and Rescue Squad. For more information go to <http://greenbeltdogtraining.com>.

History
The AKC created the Canine Good Citizen test in 1989 to aid owners in evaluating how they and their dog will react to sudden distractions.

Those who ever wondered how they and their dog would react in a crowd when any number of distractions happen – a horn blaring, a cyclist coming out of nowhere, a child approaches the dog too quickly – will be aided by the feedback.

More information about the test is available at http://www.akc.org/dogowner/training/canine_good_Citizen/links.cfm.

Other Activities
Other associated activities will be available for purchase including a micro-chip clinic by Roxie’s Fund Rescue group and photos of pets and owners for holiday cards and other purposes.

Evaluation will also be available of dogs that pass the Canine Good Citizen test for their suitability as potential therapy dogs.

City Notes

Animal Control staff reports a ferret was found running at large, an injured/sick raccoon was picked up and owners surrendered two guinea pigs and one rabbit.

Planning staff is working with a contractor to finalize details to proceed on the Safe Routes to School construction project at Springhill Lake Elementary School.

Repairs have been completed on the pedestrian signal device on Crescent Road near St. Hugh’s Catholic Church.

Horticulture crew installed fencing to protect National Lands Day plantings at the Greenbelt Lake shoreline.


The Springhill Lake Recreation Center gym is scheduled to be closed for floor refinishing on October 29 for 7 to 10 days. Work on the replacement of the Youth Center gym floor continues. The air flow vent system was installed and gym benches were improved. The gym is expected to reopen later this month.

Hear New and Old Trombone Music

Guest trombone soloist Moises Paiewonsky will join University of Maryland trombone studio students and faculty on Sunday, October 20 at 7:30 p.m. in the Gildenhorn Recital Hall of the Clarice Smith Performing Arts Center for a free concert featuring contemporary music and arrangements of popular classical music for trombone. The program will include Samuel Barber’s Adagio for Strings, Rachmaninoff’s Elegy in E-flat minor, Op. 3, Eric Ewazen’s Sonata for Trombone and Piano and more.

Admittance is on a first-come, first-seated basis, beginning at 7 p.m. For more information, visit claricesmithcenter.umd.edu or call 301-405-2787.





St. Hugh’s Church Presents


9th Annual Oktoberfest

October 19, 2013 – 4 p.m. Until ?

Join Us For Authentic Food, Drink And Fun GERMAN STYLE!

Red Cabbage, Sauerkraut, Potato Salad, Pork Roast, Half Chicken, Gulasch Soup, Potato Soup, Radish Salad, Sausages, German Beer, Soda and More! (à la carte)


Featuring The ALPINE DANCERS 8 – 9 p.m.




Musik By World Famous PHIL VENTURA

*** Free Admission ***

St. Hugh’s Church
135 Crescent Road
Greenbelt, Maryland



EVERYONE WELCOME!
JOIN IN THE CELEBRATION!
SEE YOU THERE!



CANDIDATES cont. from page 1

a bachelor’s in music performance for violin with a minor in mathematics from James Madison University in Virginia and was awarded a scholarship to pursue my master’s in music from the University of Notre Dame in South Bend, Indiana. While performing on the side, I was teaching music students of all ages, from 3 to 70, with at one point about 60 students under my tutelage.

We moved to Ohio while my husband pursued his law degree. Unhappy with the corruption in local and national politics, I looked back to Maryland, in search of a home in a community that understood the needs of families but was also wise to corruption that ruins communities. A friend turned us on to Greenbelt and it has been my haven these past seven years.

On my return to Maryland in 2004 as a stay-at-home mother, I have become more deeply involved with many progressive and environmental issues. Working to fight climate change and protect the environment, I volunteered with groups such as the Chesapeake Climate Action Network, 1Sky, 350.org, and the Prince George’s chapter of the Sierra Club. I have leadership training with Progressive Majority and Wellstone Action and I also have attended many conferences hosted by progressive and environmental groups such as The Campaign for America’s Future, Peace & Justice Coalition, Powershift and Progressive Maryland.

Here in Greenbelt, I have been actively involved with the Greenbelt Climate Action Network, where last election I helped to organize a panel for city candidates on issues concerning the environment and justice. An active member of the Greenbelt Elementary School (GES) PTA, I have been chairing/co-chairing the Labor Day book sale for the last three years and volunteer throughout the year in the school library. Volunteering for the Greenbelt Farmer’s Market, I started a project called Treadle Tree to make reusable bags from old t-shirts using my treadle-powered sewing machine, to help our community reduce our use of plastic bags. We live in GHI and my husband is a member of the GHI Audit Committee. I am also a member of the Executive Committee for the Prince George’s County Sierra Club chapter, where we are focusing on zero-waste solutions.

My son, age 10, attends GES and is a student at Tai Yim Kung Fu school in Kensington. My husband is an attorney for a government agency and he attends pottery classes at the Community Center. In addition to keeping busy as a citizen lobbyist and volunteer in the community, I also keep a thoroughly neglected bed of plants in the Community Gardens and I enjoy any excuse to pull my violin out and play.

Absentee ballots are available
NOW.
☑☑ ☑☑
Early voting begins Oct. 19

☑ Your Vote IS Your Voice! ☑

RE-ELECT

ROBERTS

TO CITY COUNCIL!

SOME OF ROBERTS' GOALS:

► Increase size of police patrol unit

► Obtain full planning and zoning authority for Greenbelt

► Implement plans for the expansion of Springhill Lake Recreation Center

► Restore Greenbelt Lake and its tributaries

► Improve existing City Gardens and create City Gardens in Greenbelt East and West

► Complete ongoing projects: Northway Field improvements, Greenbelt East playground plan, and Historic Theater Renovation

► Acquire Greenbelt Road site for new fire house

► Fund McDonald Field improvements

► Continue to improve senior services and social services

► Equitable distribution of facilities and services

► Better enforcement of speed limits and stop signs in Greenbelt neighborhoods

► Continue to press SHA for construction of Beltway noise barriers

► Improved public transportation, including Sunday bus service

► Protect and preserve 6,000-acre Beltsville Agricultural Research Center

► Improved recreational and arts opportunities in Greenbelt West

► Neighborhood police bicycle patrols dedicated to each community

► Continue to oppose the proposed city ordinance that would foster secrecy and continue to fight to keep public information public

By Authority of Yoni Siegel, Treasurer

Re-Elect Judith F. 'J' Davis

Always "COMMITTED TO COMMUNITY"



"Public Safety, Excellent Schools, Open Space Protection, and Innovative Planned Development... these are the enduring pillars of a sustainable and resilient Greenbelt."

J's Priorities:

• Ensure our accredited Police Department can sustain peak performance with up-to-date training and equipment

• Restore and maintain our infrastructure: Greenbelt Lake, Movie Theater, Forests, Streams, Street Trees, Parks and Roads

• Protect our priceless Green Belt; make certain our Congressional delegation hears our steadfast concern for preservation of BARC and Greenbelt National Park

• Expand The Safe Routes to School Program to encourage students to walk or bike

• Ensure further development conforms to our priorities and values, while providing quality transit-oriented housing and employment opportunities for current and future residents

• Balance budgetary restraint with providing core programs and services unique to Greenbelt

Questions? Concerns? Contact J at Citizens4J@aol.com or visit our website at www.citizens4jdavis.org

By Authority: Debbie Cooley, Treasurer Photo: Barry Bordas

Judith Davis

Committed to Community

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city such as the MML Geocache Trail and support the continuation of partnerships that help fund police officers and cooperative purchasing programs that help reduce expenses.

There are bottom-line programs and services that I support. First, public safety including police protection, property inspections and response to hazardous conditions such as downed trees, snow and ice. We must continue the city’s Living Wage policy and support our employees. We must provide for those who are most in need by continuing the Greenbelt Assistance in Living Program and the city property tax credit for low-income homeowners.

Greenbelt spreads from East to West with an historic core; roads divide us. We have some disconnected citizens who do not realize they live in Greenbelt. I would begin to address this problem through information and marketing. This will be particularly important as we welcome residents of the soon-to-be-built Greenbelt Station South Core.

Signage on our borders can visibly identify Greenbelt. The “Three Lake Walk” that I proposed also takes people on a visible tour throughout the city. To help people get around and learn about our city, I will work to implement the recommendations of the Pedestrian and Bicycle Master Plan.

We should promote Greenbelt organizations, businesses, and services throughout the city and welcome new residents by continuing to produce Welcome to Greenbelt packets. I will also continue to push for information kiosks throughout the city. Together we can pursue common goals and work to improve all of Greenbelt.

Bill Orleans

If elected this member of council would hope to see more participation from residents, more transparency from Council and less of an opportunity for commercial “property owners” to skate on their taxes. Any success in these objectives would depend on the resolve of residents expressing their will.

Council belongs to Greenbelt residents not those elected to it. What distinguishes council from residents is that council has the responsibility to vote; on the budget and on policy, directing city management to effect same. I would add the council has the responsibility of listening to residents more and more talking less and itself specifically not responding to counter what residents may say.

Too many meetings are attended by too few residents because council wastes too much time on the mundane and celebratory. Too frequently residents speaking at council are condescended to or simply ignored. If elected

I would challenge whomever is presiding if that practice were to continue, and were my fellow council members continuing to babble on, as is now the practice, I would challenge them individually; collegiality does not mean suffering boors gladly. I would not obstruct, but hopefully instruct, constructively.

Council is Greenbelt’s political voice; in our town which is chock-a-court with varied political interests, a petition to council to resolve support or opposition to some good or bad end should be respected by council and voted “yay” or “nay”; council should not evade its responsibility to be accountable by their vote. I would move any petition to a roll call on presentation. We all make mistakes: any resolution which is passed and later regretted, on reflection, could always be rescinded.

Council is permitted, not required, by state statute to conduct certain city business in executive session. Except when propriety requires it all city business should be conducted in public. Interviews with applicants for appointment to advisory bodies, most consultations with counsel, and certainly the performance review of the city manager and the renewal of the contract with the city solicitor are public business that should be available for the public to observe. On council I would move to that end.

Several very large tracts in Greenbelt are commercial properties that when assessed can appeal for an abatement. When that has occurred in Greenbelt in recent years the city has not challenged the appeal. Why, I do not know, how many appeals have been made and by which “property owners,” I do not know. I have asked for some time but city management and council are unwilling or unable to say.

Unlike homeowners, commercial “property owners” are engaged in the practice of capitalism. Because the “owners” are not receiving what they consider an appropriate return on their investment is not a reason that homeowners should have to pay a higher rate – or that Greenbelt should have to curtail services. Indeed the city should challenge all commercial assessment appeals. I would move that council direct the city manager to track . . . all appeals affecting Greenbelt and direct the solicitor to challenge every appeal.

Edward Putens

The answers are about our money, our priorities, and our future.

1. Our immediate priority is surviving the current financial times. Our property assessments have dropped sharply, significantly reducing City revenues. This is good news for our property taxes but bad news for the City

budget. The next State assessment will help, but in the meantime we need to tough it out.

An organizational assessment is now being completed that will help the City identify organizational and cost efficiencies. The Council has already made over \$2,000,000 in budget reductions, and deferred many good projects to better times. My personal priorities until then are to (1) maintain the high quality of our public services and (2) preserve the jobs of our City employees in recognition of their loyalty to us.

2. The City’s most important priority right now is to persuade the FBI to move to Greenbelt. The location would be in the Greenbelt Metro area, which we all remember as the site of the once-promised high-class commercial area that never showed up.

This is a realistic objective for several reasons. The FBI is almost definitely moving from its downtown D.C. location. Greenbelt is on the short list of possible sites. The Council has officially conveyed its strong interest on behalf of the City. We have firm support from Maryland political leaders. Most of all, Greenbelt would be a great location and a welcoming place for the FBI.

Having the FBI in the City would do a lot for us too. It is well known that I have over many years pushed for the revitalization of Greenbelt West. We have seen some success, including the new middle school, new ownership in Franklin Park, and the new housing planned for the South Core area closer to Greenbelt Road. Having the FBI here would lead to new commercial development, higher property values, higher City revenues that might help with the budget problem, and a stronger Greenbelt. I believe we will get an answer from the federal government soon.

3. Finally, there is the City’s most important current improvement project: the renovation of the historic Greenbelt Theater in Roosevelt Center. The Council has unanimously committed to this project, and the City has raised outside money to help with the cost. This renovation is urgently needed, and in truth, too long delayed. Thanks are owed to those who have continued to advocate for the theater over the years and those who have continued to patronize the theater and buy all that popcorn.

This project is another important step in our continuing commitment to improvements in Roosevelt Center and surrounding area. One of the most rewarding things about my service on the Council is the long list of positive changes that have taken place in Greenbelt’s historic center during my tenure.

Racial Injustices Are Recounted in Lecture

by Charis Pannell

In his lecture, “Breaking the Phalanx: Smashing Jim Crow in the Nation’s Capital,” historian C.R. Gibbs discussed racial injustices that occurred not only in the South but also in the Washington, D.C., area in the Jim Crow era.

At the Greenbelt Library on October 8, Gibbs explained that Jim Crow began as entertainment that portrayed African Americans as “singing, dancing, grinning fools.” Soon, however, Jim Crow became a “web of laws” with the goal of “reducing black ability,” Gibbs said.

Using historical photos and publications, Gibbs detailed the struggles African Americans faced in and near the District of Columbia. Images of African American families living in shacks in alleys reflected the inequality African Americans had to endure.

Gibbs explained that African Americans had no choice but to live in these shabby “interior dwellings” because most renters and property owners did not rent to African Americans because of prejudice or laws prohibiting such arrangements.

Education and Employment

Blacks not only faced inequality in housing, Gibbs explained, but in education and employment. “Our ancestors,” Gibbs said, “wanted education, land and work.”

Gibbs detailed the determined efforts by individuals and institutions in achieving these goals. Gordon Parks, the first African American photographer for Life magazine used his camera “as a weapon” against Jim Crow, he said.

Churches also played a key role in fighting against Jim Crow discrimination. Gibbs showed advertisements in which pastors urged African Americans to boycott certain stores. He also described the Bolling v. Sharpe court case, which challenged segregation in schools in the District of Columbia.

Audience member Denise Bentley of Takoma Park praised

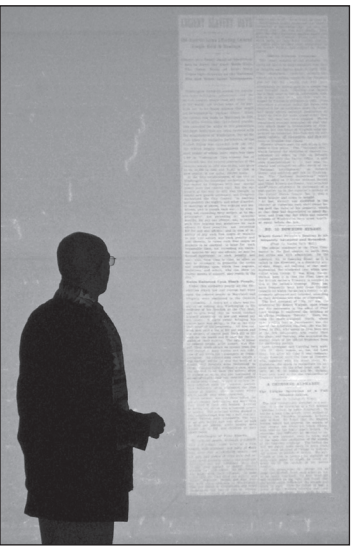


PHOTO BY CHARIS PANNELL

Historian C.R. Gibbs explains an article from the Jim Crow era at his library lecture October 8.

the lecture. She has attended Gibbs’ lectures “for a while,” and said she enjoys them because they address “so much that is not in any books.”

Ellen Utley of Lanham, former branch manager of the Greenbelt library, said she enjoyed the lecture. “Greenbelt is fortunate to have C.R. Gibbs here to enlighten us.”

The lecture series on African history and culture continues into November.

Audubon Bird Walk In Bowie Saturday

Saturday, October 19 at 7:30 a.m. is the next Prince George’s County Audubon Society bird walk at Governor Bridge Natural Area, Governor Bridge Road in Bowie. Beginners and experts are welcome, with participants likely to see resident and migrating woodland and field birds, waterfowl and raptors at this Patuxent River forested floodplain. Waterproof footwear and binoculars are suggested. Meet at the parking lot. For more information, email trip leader Bill Sefton at kiwisuits@msn.com.

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Time Bank Organizes, Schedules Training

by Michael Hartman

Marjorie needs help with iTunes, setting up a playlist and uploading music and Lore needs help in weeding her garden. Marjorie can help with gardening and Lore can teach people how to use gmail. Bill needs a cat sitter and Michael can help with that. Michael needs help in organizing, Annie can help with packing boxes and Aileen can provide help with legal issues. These are services that most people pay for. But we live in Greenbelt where neighbors help neighbors.

Sometimes, though, we don't know all the skills that our neighbors have to offer and they do not know ours. There are lots of other Greenbelters, some newly arrived who we don't even know, who need help or can offer work or services to others.

What can we do as a community? How can we help bring people together?

Welcome to the Greenbelt Time Bank where Greenbelters can offer and request help and it doesn't cost anyone anything but sharing their skills and abilities. It has taken a considerable amount of time and effort by a dedicated core group of local residents (all volunteers, of course) to make it happen, but the Greenbelt Time Bank is happening now and has 17 members.

Everyone who lives, works, plays in or visits Greenbelt is invited to join the Greenbelt Time Bank.

The Greenbelt Time Bank is a community system through which a person who volunteers one hour of time to help someone else gains an hour's time credit. The volunteer can use that time credit or accrued time credits to receive help from someone else. Everyone's time is equal no matter what each hour is spent doing. So far, 43 hours have been exchanged on the Time Bank.

The organizers created the Greenbelt Time Bank to develop a stronger sense of community through this system of offering and requesting work and services without exchanging any money. Also it is hoped this will help Greenbelters during these difficult economic times.

The members of the Core Planning team are: Annie Shaw, Luisa Robles, Shirley Middleton, Mary Ernsberger, Lore Rosenthal, Jane Young, Michael Hartman, Ellie Isaacs, Aileen Kroll, Kevin Fisher and Carolyn Lambright-Davis.

Over the next few weeks, the Greenbelt Time Bank will invite people to sign up and train them to use the time bank.

The following times and locations have been scheduled: Thursday, October 24 from 7 to 9 p.m. at Club 125 in Roosevelt Center; and Thursday, November 14, 7 to 9 p.m. at the Springhill Lake Recreation Center Clubhouse. All are invited to training and orientation to learn the many advantages of participating in the time bank. A small voluntary

contribution toward the cost of room rentals will be asked from those able and willing to help in that way.

Organizers also plan a training session in Greenbelt East and are still working on a date and location. Anyone living in Greenbelt East who knows of a location is asked to email a suggestion. More information is available at <http://www.GreenbeltTimeBank.org>.

Those interested in joining, training and being involved can email greenbelt.timebank@gmail.com or, for those not using computers, call 301-474-2646.



PHOTO BY JULIA O'KELLY

Former Greenbelters Alan and Wendy Turnbull, together with Alan's father, also Alan, near the end of a walk along a stretch of Hadrian's Wall. The trio recently spent a week in the Scottish Borders. The photographer is from Lyme Regis, Dorset, England.

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Based on information released by the Greenbelt Police Department, <http://www.greenbeltmd.gov/police/index.htm>, link in left frame to "Weekly Report" or http://www.greenbeltmd.gov/police/weekly_report.pdf.
Dates and times are those when police were first contacted about incidents.

Arrest

October 3, 8:37 a.m., Eleanor Roosevelt High School. A 15-year-old Greenbelt youth was arrested for trespassing and disruption of school activities when he was found on school property after being suspended. He was released to a guardian pending action by the Juvenile Justice System.

October 4, 11:47 a.m., 6400 block Ivy Lane. A 37-year-old nonresident man was arrested and charged with possession of cocaine with intent to distribute, possession of marijuana, two counts of possession of paraphernalia, disorderly conduct and other charges after he was observed littering and ran from officers. He had to be detained with the assistance of a Taser. He was treated and released for minor injuries and transported to the Department of Corrections for a hearing before a district court commissioner.

October 7, 7:31 p.m., 9100 block Springhill Lane. Two Greenbelt youths, one 14 years old and the other 13, were arrested for second degree assault after they allegedly assaulted each other during a verbal altercation. Both youths were released to parents pending action by the Juvenile Justice System.

DWI/DUI

October 4, 8:34 p.m., 9100 block Edmonston Road. A 27-year-old Greenbelt woman was arrested and charged with multiple alcohol-related offenses, among other charges, after being involved in a traffic accident. She was released on citations pending trial.

October 6, 4:32 a.m., Cherrywood Lane and Springhill Terrace. A 23-year-old Greenbelt man was arrested and charged with multiple alcohol-related offenses and other traffic-related charges after a traffic stop. He was released on citations pending trial.

October 3 through October 8. Greenbelt city limits. In separate incidents two men and two women, all nonresidents, were arrested for alcohol-related violations and released on citations.

Burglary

October 3, 1:05 p.m., 7800 block Somerset Court. A woman said that a man came to her door and asked for someone she did not know. A short time later she went down to her basement and found two men there, both wearing masks. They ran from her home and fled in a car described as a gray 4-door Nissan Sentra with Md. tags. They are

described as black men with light complexions, each wearing a white T-shirt and dark work pants. One of the men was described as being 6'2" to 6'3" tall. A Macbook Pro notebook computer, cell phone, clothing and electronics were taken.

October 5, 7:40 p.m., 6800 block Landon Court. Jewelry was taken. Entry was gained by forcing open the rear door.

October 8, 3:57 a.m., 161 Centerway. Two men, each wearing gloves, masks, long-sleeve shirts and long pants, exited a vehicle described as a tan Plymouth Voyager van and used what appeared to be a sledgehammer in an attempt to force entry into the Sunoco Service Station. The front door and a window were damaged. Entry was not gained and they fled the scene.

Vandalism

October 5, 7:55 a.m., 101 Centerway. Unknown person(s) broke the rear glass door of the Greenbelt Aquatic and Fitness Center.

October 8, 6:21 p.m., 6900 block Hanover Parkway. Unknown person(s) used unknown means to break the glass sliding door to a balcony.

Vehicle Crime

Two vehicles were stolen. A silver 1999 Plymouth Voyager with Md. tags 59890M4 was taken from the 200 block Lakeside Drive and a black 2006 Yamaha motorcycle with Md. tag 30SB78 was taken from the 7900 block Mandan Road.

Tags were stolen in the Greenway Shopping Center and on Edmonston Road at Greenbelt Road.

Three stolen vehicles were recovered. A 2013 Toyota Highlander reported stolen from the Beltway Plaza parking lot on September 25 was recovered October 6 by D.C. Metropolitan police in the 100 block of Rhode Island Avenue N.E., with no arrests made. A 2001 Ford Crown Victoria reported stolen on October 4 to Prince George's County police was recovered in the Beltway Plaza parking lot on October 7, with no arrests made. A 2008 Kymco Agility Scooter reported stolen to the Prince George's County police was recovered in the 7600 block Hanover Parkway. No arrests were made.

Thefts from vehicles occurred in the 7600 block Hanover Parkway (iPhone), 5800 block Cherrywood Lane (tire and rim) and 5900 block Cherrywood Terrace (iPod and money).

Vandalism was reported in the 7300 block Wintergreen Court where a tire was slashed.

City Council Discusses Community Concerns with Verizon, Comcast

by Angelique Crusoe

On September 25 City Council held a worksession on services provided by Verizon and Comcast. Lawrence Graham and Darian Gill represented Verizon and Karmen Walker Brown represented Comcast at the session. Discussion focused mainly on Verizon because of recent concerns that the company might get rid of landlines powered through copper wire.

In 2005 Verizon began a transition to operating its landlines through wireless FIOS. Since then the company has encouraged customers to drop their copper-wired landlines and use FIOS. Mayor Judith Davis asked Graham the difference between copper-wire and FIOS systems.

"They differ in a few ways," he said. "Copper runs off electricity while FIOS depends on a wireless network. When copper needs to be repaired it takes longer because some wires are hard to locate. FIOS is a much faster landline base and upkeep is cheaper."

Councilmember Konrad Herling asked Graham the typical time for a copper landline repair. Graham said that there was no typical time. Some repairs can be done instantly from an office while others require dispatchers. Most concerns are handled in one to two days.

Verizon continues to install FIOS lines although many seniors prefer to keep copper-wired lines, said the city's Public Information and Communications Coordinator Beverly Palau. For

example, during storms, landlines with copper wire will work as long as the lines remain intact. Landlines that rely on FIOS, however, only last eight hours on a backup wireless battery if affected by severe weather. Last fall the victims of Hurricane Sandy were able to make calls using their copper-wired landline phones long after FIOS backup batteries had died.

People who switch to FIOS and have their copper lines removed will never be able to return to copper-wire landline service. Herling asked whether customers could keep their copper wire but still get a FIOS-based landline. Graham said that if the copper wire is cut but not removed, the customer could return to copper-wire landline service in the future.

Graham asserted that Verizon is not discontinuing maintenance of its copper lines. Technicians hired are taught to repair both FIOS and copper

lines and he said that Verizon has no future plans to cut repair services to copper-based landlines.

Also discussed at the worksession were reports of a drop in broadband speeds of Verizon's Internet service. The company representatives urged residents to report any loss of broadband speed so the company could correct it.

Comcast

Brown, the local government liaison for Comcast, addressed the company's efforts to respond to damaged exterior Comcast boxes. Vandalism appears to be a major cause of the problems. Comcast is working with Greenbelt Homes, Inc. to repair or replace boxes throughout GHI. Brown encouraged residents to contact Comcast to report any damage to exterior boxes.

Contact Verizon through its website, www.verizon.com. Call Comcast at 800-934-6489.

Kathleen Gallagher contributed to this report.



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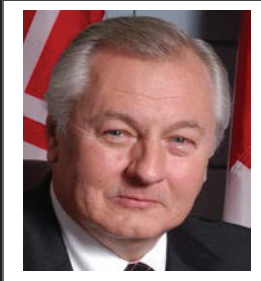
Saturday October 19, 11am-1pm College Park Day 10 mile family ride. Meet at parking lot across from Wells Ice Rink.

Saturday October 19, 6-7:30pm Moonlight Monuments Ride in DC. Meet at 6pm at Freedom Plaza, or at 4:30pm at Proteus to ride down to DC. We'll take metro back to Greenbelt. Lights required

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Federal Job Furlough Affects Greenbelters

by Kelsey Sutton

After October 18 resident Cynthia Newcomer won't receive a paycheck from the federal government.

"For now I am holding tight where I am and curtailing unnecessary spending," she said. "I have put off buying tickets for a trip later this year and am delaying other planned purchases, as well as some health care that I normally pay out of pocket."

Until October, Newcomer worked for a federal contractor as a content marketing manager on an HIV prevention program. But she, like many other Greenbelters, has not been back to work since a partisan dispute over the Affordable Care Act in Congress led to a federal government shutdown October 1.

"Unemployment compensation is not adequate to cover a fraction of most people's expenses and not everyone has family who can assist financially," said Newcomer, who lives on Laurel Hill Road. "So a shutdown of even a few weeks can really cause damage to people's lives."

Newcomer considers herself lucky that she will receive payment until the end of the week. Some people, she said, are not as fortunate. Her parents, retired, rely on Social Security and Medicare programs. Other friends are the only income earners in their families.

"People are in all kinds of situations," she said. "They may live paycheck to paycheck."

Darryl Munsey, who lives on Research Road, is active in the American Federation of Government Workers (AFGE) at the National Archives and has worked 40 years for the government. The National Archives was deemed nonessential. He and his wife Cindy were both furloughed.

"We have enough savings that I'm not worried that I can't eat," he said. "But young people in lower-grade positions can't live very long without a paycheck every two weeks."

The shutdown, he said, is "unfair to people who do their jobs."

Anne Marigza, a furloughed conservator for the Holocaust Memorial Museum, said the shutdown put about 45 percent of museum staff out of work indefinitely.

"I don't know what to expect when I go back," she said. "Some projects that I was working on may be going on without me. Or perhaps they've been delayed."

Marigza, who lives in Greenbelt's Windsor Green community, said she and other furloughed workers have been watching Congress intently.

Nationally, almost 800,000 federal employees have been furloughed indefinitely. Greenbelt has been hit hard. The city, nestled close to Washington, D.C., Annapolis and Baltimore, is a desirable living community for federal employees. NASA's Goddard Space Flight Center in Greenbelt and the U.S. Department of Agriculture's close proximity to the city also attract federal workers.

The U.S. House of Representatives unanimously passed a bill, The Federal Employee Retroactive Pay Fairness Act, which guarantees that furloughed federal

workers receive full pay after the shutdown is over. But Munsey thinks the back pay will be an "administrative nightmare."

"The 'what-ifs' get more complicated the longer we're out of work," he said.

The government shutdown is not only affecting families with federal jobs. Local businesses that rely on people spending their government paychecks are also suffering.

"It seems people are cutting back," said Donna Hoffmeister, a senior program analyst who has worked for the U.S. Department of the Treasury for 12 years. "Restaurants in Greenbelt are saying they've lost half their business."

Hoffmeister, who lives on Plateau Place, faces deadlines at her job for January's filing season and doesn't know how she and her coworkers will catch up, she said. To aid furloughed employees, Greenbelt's Aquatic and Fitness Center is issuing a one-dollar discount off day rates for admission.

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Reel & Meal Shows Dhamma Brothers

On Monday, October 21 at 7 p.m. the monthly Reel and Meal at the New Deal film showing will feature The Dhamma Brothers documentary that is the story of an overcrowded violent maximum-security prison in Alabama that is dramatically changed by an ancient meditation program. An optional vegan buffet is available for purchase at 6:30 p.m.

The Dhamma Brothers tells a dramatic tale of human potential and transformation as it follows and documents the stories of inmates at Donaldson Correctional Facility as they enter into an extended arduous, intensive Vipassana retreat. The prison, the end of the line in the state prison system, houses over 1,500 prisoners many of whom will not rejoin life in the outside world, who live behind security towers, live electrical fence and double-row barbed wire. The retreat requires a 10-day, 100-hour program of emotionally and physically demanding silent meditation that tells a dramatic tale of human potential and transformation as it follows their journeys.

More information about this month's event is available from Susan Barnett, susnbarn@earthlink.net. The Reel & Meal is a collaborative effort held the third Monday of every month by the Prince George's County Peace and Justice Coalition, Beaverdam Creek Watershed Watch Group and Green Vegan Networking.

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How the Green Belt Was Saved with Walks, Booths and Pumpkins

by Susan Barnett and Kristin Fletcher

This year marks the 25th anniversary of the Greenbelt Pumpkin Walk. Ever wonder how the tradition got started? Believe it or not, it began in 1987 when the last of Greenbelt’s woods were threatened with development.

In 1987, many Greenbelters who were prone to roaming the last of the original “Green Belt” had no idea that their beloved woods didn’t actually belong to the town of Greenbelt. These woods (officially known as Parcel 1 and Parcel 2) had been sold to developers in 1954 by the Greenbelt Veterans Housing Corporation (which in 1957 came Greenbelt Homes, Inc.). In fact, over time, all of the original 800 acres of the green belt had been sold. Although the city subsequently purchased some of this land, much had been developed. But not Parcels 1 and 2.

In the 1960s, there was a plan for Parcel 1 and 2. The Prince George’s County Board of Education had purchased parts of both Parcel 1 and 2 – a total of 72 acres – to build a three-school complex. Concerned citizens joined together to form SOCC (Save Our Community Committee) and defeated this effort. Eventually the Board of Education selected another site for Eleanor Roosevelt High School and the 72 acres was acquired by the city. The city also proposed another 38 acres of Parcels 1 and 2 to purchase a narrow green belt and later purchased the remainder of Parcel 2. The woods of Parcels 1 and 2 were left intact and free to grow for more than 20 years.

Citizen Action Tours

On November 19, 1987, the developers who owned the remaining 103 acres of Parcel 1 presented council with their plans to develop it into town homes and detached homes with roads and infrastructure. When the front-page story “Townhouses, Detached Homes Proposed for Undeveloped Parcel 1 in North End” ran in the November 26 News Review, many citizens

were in shock. Leonie Penney wasted no time offering her home as a place for woods wanderers to join her in discussing how to save the much loved green belt or The Great North Woods as they were often called.

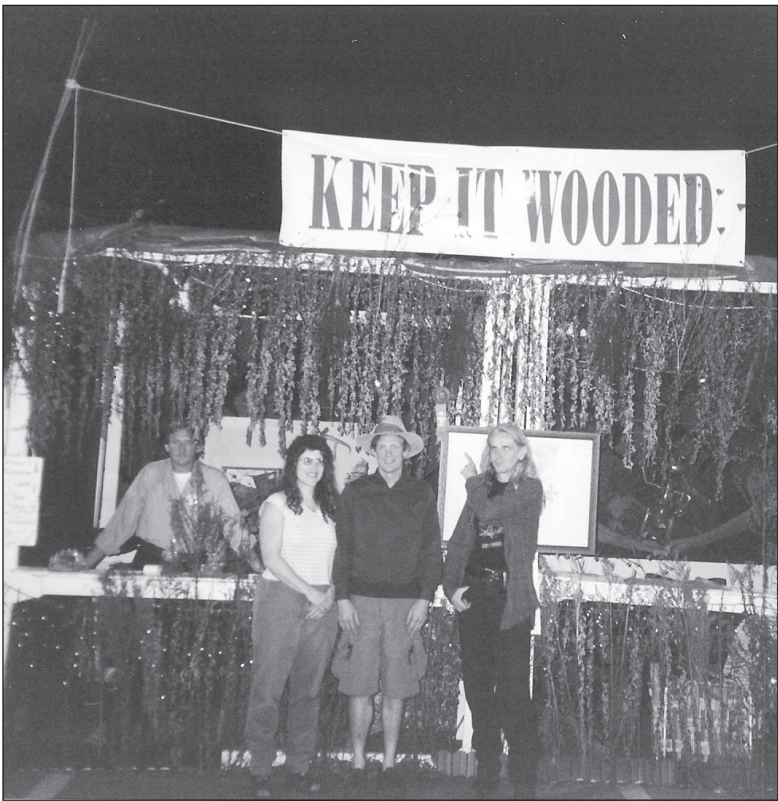
Many folks came to the meeting and signed up for what they thought they could do best. That night was the beginning of what emerged as the Committee to Save the Green Belt, the group that led the community on the path to saving the woods. Four citizens at the meeting found common ground in creating the Activities Committee: Yoni Siegel, Paul Downs, Bill Rich and Rodney Roberts. They immediately agreed that it was critically important to lead the townspeople on tours of the Green Belt.

The following week’s News Review ran six letters to the editor in support of saving the Green Belt. The letters and authors were: “Need Wild Land” by Tina Rhea; “Save the Green Belt” by Leonie Penney; “Phantom Green Belt” by B. Sue Benson; “Last Call” by Tom X. White, Jr.; “Last Call for Deer” by Matt Durtintine; and “Last Call for a Hike” by Paul Downs. The last letter announced a tour of “100 beautiful acres . . . before the destruction takes place . . . meet at 1 p.m. on Saturday at the end of Northway extended . . . there’ll be free sandwiches and drinks.”

This last letter marked the beginning of an ongoing effort. For the next several years the Committee to Save the Green Belt hosted weekly Tours of the Green Belt. Nearly every Saturday they led hikes and provided free sandwiches and drinks. They brought hundreds of townspeople into the woods so they could better understand the natural beauty of the forest that would be lost.

Labor Day Booths

In 1988, the Activities Committee participated in the Labor Day Festival with a booth that won second prize. Photos of that year show a young Doug Love



The Core Four at their Labor Day Booth – Rodney Roberts, Yoni Siegel, Paul Downs and Bill Rich.

helping in the booth. In 1989, with more elaborate plans to sell pictures of the woods, the committee worked hard for weeks in advance on their booth. Rodney Roberts rode in helicopters and planes to take aerial photos of the woods. Other photos were taken by Bill Rich and Greg Fisanich. Frames were constructed out of wood from the GHI scrap yard. An elaborate booth was built for their well known sign, “Save the Green Belt,” which eventually was changed to “Keep it Wooded.” That year, the booth won first prize.

Every year thereafter for 15 years, the Committee to Save the Green Belt had a Labor Day booth. Over the years they had various themes and they continued to win prizes. Many folks helped them in the booth, including Bob and Jean Rashkin, Terri Rutledge and Craig Tooley, Val Elliott, Dorian Winterfeld, Amethyst Dwyer and others.

Pumpkin Walks

Also in 1988 Activities Committee member Paul Downs suggested a Halloween Tour of the woods. A small notice placed in the News Review encouraged the town to join them on October 21 and 22: “The fun starts with a short walk down the trails. There will be lots of pumpkins along the way and a 20-foot ghost that flies. There will be candy and hot cocoa with marshmallows.”

Using the money raised at the Labor Day Booth to buy pumpkins, the committee carved as many as they could. The pumpkins glowed in the night woods – and the townsfolk loved it! While the carving has taken place in different locations – at Roosevelt Center, inside or outside of the New Deal Café or on Northway – the tradition has endured for 25 years. Before his death, Doug Love would regale the visitors with some scary and not so scary stories on the walk. The Phantom and Goatman were regular apparitions. Many others joined it to help make it a great success year after year.

Community Effort

There was always the core group of four Greenbelters – Paul Downs, Bill Rich, Rodney Roberts and Yoni Siegel, who, driven by their passion for the woods, persisted from Labor Day to Labor Day and Halloween to

Halloween. Carving hundreds, if not thousands, of pumpkins and working in creative and endearing ways to connect people to the woods, they nurtured the bond between the town and its namesake that grew as more and more townspeople realized what was going to be lost if the woods were developed.

The group of four, along with many more volunteers, persevered until finally, after many a glowing pumpkin had smiled for the woods, the battle was won. On October 27, 2003, council passed the forest preserve ordinance to save the remaining green belt from the threat of human development by the highest degree the city could conjure.

The Greenbelt Forest Preserve exists because of the efforts of many citizens over the years

Pumpkin Walk This Saturday

This year marks 25 years of the Greenbelt Annual Pumpkin Walk and the 10th Anniversary of the Greenbelt Forest Preserve. The Pumpkin Walk will be held on Saturday, October 19. Meet on Northway extended. Carving begins at 10 a.m. and goes until 5 p.m.

Bring a pumpkin or carve a pumpkin provided. The walk begins at dark and goes until 9 p.m. Zombie Dash is set for 11 a.m. at Northway Fields. Zombies should arrive at 10:30 a.m. dressed and ready; runners arrive at 10:50 a.m.

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being willing to attend meetings, volunteer for events and embrace Greenbelt’s namesake. The Committee to Save the Green Belt offered leadership, innovative ideas and a strong core of long-term volunteers. Council listened to residents and responded by acquiring the remaining 103 acres with the help of the federal government and aid of the city’s senators and congressman and eventually voting to create the Greenbelt Forest Preserve.

Because of the ability of the community to come together, new generations will be able to enjoy a very special natural wild world right in their own backyard, 225 acres of rare urban wilderness, sheltered and safe from the march of mankind. And the trees will stand. And the wildlife will thrive. And we thank those who acted and spoke for the Green Belt.



Keep it Wooded booth another year – Bill Rich, Yoni Siegel and Paul Downs.



The Labor Day Booth advertises The Halloween Tour. Bill Rich holds a “Keep it Wooded” bumper sticker. This booth took the blue ribbon.



Pumpkins ready for placing along the trail in the woods. 1991.

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would take two to three months. ESA would like council’s approval of its approach so ESA could begin the permitting process, which he estimated would take at least six months.

At the request of council, the Greenwood Village Homeowner Association and Greenbriar Phase II Board of Directors have reviewed the plans and indicated their support.

By federal regulation, the developer must monitor the site for five years and repair any issues. However, Kelly stated that the project, similar in nature to the stream restoration work done near Greenhill Road, is designed to be maintenance free. If problems develop during the monitoring period, the city could request further monitoring.

Split on Issue

Council was split on the issue. Mayor Judith Davis called the proposal a “no-brainer.” She had walked the property earlier in the day and reported that the stream bed is badly eroded. Later Councilmember Leta Mach said it is a very eroded stream, with an embankment taller than she is. Many of the trees, she said, have half their roots off the land and could fall in with the next big storm. She said that it is in Greenbelt’s interest to have the stream fixed.

Councilmember Konrad Herling agreed, saying, “My eyes tell me that work needs to be done.” He asked about concerns that residents near the Greenhill site have raised regarding mosquitoes.

Kelly thought since the stream only flows when it rains, there should not be permanent ponds of water. However, if such ponds did develop, so could a mosquito problem, he said.

Councilmember Rodney Roberts had a different view. He also reported having walked the Greenbriar site recently and said that he did not see a lot of erosion. His main concern, however, was whether the Anacostia Watershed would get equal value with what had been done at the Beltsville site.

With agreement from other councilmembers, Davis ruled that line of questioning out of order. ESA was not involved in the Jara work and only serves as the developer’s consultant for mitigation work, the extent of which will be determined by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers.

Aquatic Life

Roberts asked Kelly what would be done to protect the aquatic life in the stream, such as frogs and lizards. Kelly said they could capture and relocate them as had been done on other projects. As it is an intermittent stream, there are no fish.

Councilmembers Emmett Jordan and Silke Pope voiced concern that if the work started next fall, school would be in session and construction trucks would be on the road with students traveling to Eleanor Roosevelt High School. Kelly said they would work with the city on routes and timing and other approaches to minimize the impact.

Roberts, noting that there is “some really nice mountain laurel” on the stream bank, asked if it would be cut. Kelly said that there were some areas of mountain laurel that would be cut, but not many. Roberts then moved that the proposal be referred to GreenACES.

Davis pushed to obtain approval of the proposal contingent upon a favorable review by GreenACES, which will not meet until after the October 28 council meeting.

After extensive discussion, some raised voices and discussions of council and parliamentary procedures, the motion was approved on a 6 to 1 vote with Roberts opposed. Roberts said he thought contingent approval was unnecessary and that the proposal should have been referred to GreenACES and then come back to council for approval.

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Our characteristic facets - the strength, resilience, and richness of our diversity –
make Greenbelt the inclusive and welcoming city that we all cherish.
Join me as we all continue to work to bring all our facets together towards the precious diamond we call "One Greenbelt".

We are a city with a rich history. We are also a city of the future.
Our city was so described at the 1939 World's Fair in New York
Let us continue to build on that legacy for Greenbelt and all of its citizens.

If re-elected, I will continue my efforts to accomplish the following in order to bring our community together:

Community Development, Inclusion, and Diversity

- Give greater attention to mental health and independent living services for people in the gap between middle age and Social Security, Medicare, and Medicaid.
- Hold City Council Work Sessions in all parts of town.
- Provide greater city response to emergencies through expanded access to WiFi; explore use of Low Power FM Radio.
- Encourage citizens to take the “Welcome Wagon” to a higher level by greeting new Greenbelters in person, with tickets for events and discounts for local businesses. Provide the city’s Information booklet in both English and Spanish.
- Create a formal way to resolve Landlord and Tenant disputes; improve living conditions and management communication.
- Establish an Advisory Committee on Diversity and Inclusion (ACDI) and develop a Strategic Plan for Diversity and Inclusion.
- Foster community interest in an International Cultural Festival.
- Continue efforts for expanded public transportation services.

Expanding the Arts in Greenbelt

- Encourage greater diversity of programming at the Greenbelt Movie Theater in collaboration with the Greenbelt arts and business communities.
- Complete the historic Greenbelt Theater renovations, as promised.
- Expand arts programming throughout all of Greenbelt.

Business and Economic Development

- Retain existing businesses and attract new and “Green” enterprises, including new cooperatives.
- Work with stakeholders to encourage an improved consumer experience at the city’s shopping centers.
- Promote more effective outreach and inclusion of all Greenbelters in Community Development projects, like the Greenbelt Theater.
- Create a Greenbelt Office of Economic Development.
- Reduce office building vacancy from the current high rate, increasing revenues as a result.

Health and Public Safety

- Promote cultural activities at the Spellman Overpass area, and encourage people to use the bridge more frequently.
- Increase safety for pedestrians, bicyclists, seniors, and individuals with disabilities across major intersections and around shopping areas. Include the use of smartly-designed over and underpasses.
- Encourage public-private partnerships with police department. Consider increased bicycle patrols.
- Design and implement plans for easier navigation and access across the city for people who do not use cars.

Environmental Initiatives

- Implement both the Greenbelt Environmental Sustainability Framework and the Pedestrian and Bicycle Safety Plan.
- Strengthen storm water management programs and initiatives.
- Return Greenbelt Lake to its original condition and purpose.

By authority Trina Coore, Treasurer

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Upcoming Events at New Deal Café

Thursday, October 17 from noon to 2 p.m., pianist Amy C. Kraft plays midday melodies. From 7 to 9 p.m. there will be an open microphone session with Joe Harris.

Friday, October 18 John Guernsey plays classical and jazz piano from 6:30 to 8 p.m., then Beatles tribute band The Goodfellas perform from 8 to 11 p.m.

Saturday, October 19 the Greenbelt Co-op Alliance hosts a game of Co-opoly where everyone either wins together or loses together from 2 to 5 p.m. Guernsey plays up-tempo jazz piano from 6:30 to 8 p.m., followed by headliners Stream and the Blue Dragons from 8 to 11 p.m.

On Sunday, October 20 the weekly deaf brunch discussion is held from 10:30 a.m. to noon. The back room of the Café will be closed for a private brunch from 11 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. The monthly kids’ open microphone session for the whole family will be held from 1:30 to 2:30 p.m. The Fez Tones Hafla offer live Middle Eastern music and dance with musicians on oud, darbuka and riq from 5 to 8 p.m.

Next Week

Monday, October 21 the monthly Reel & Meal at the New Deal will screen The Dhamma Brothers documentary of a Vipassana retreat in an Alabama state prison at 7 p.m. following a special vegan buffet available for purchase at 6:30 p.m.

Tuesday, October 22 singer/songwriter Tristan Omand performs from 7 to 9 p.m. On Wednesday, October 23 the Cajun Music Jam will be held from 7 to 9 p.m.

On Thursday, October 24 Kraft plays midday melodies from noon to 2 p.m. The Songwriter’s Association of Washington Open Microphone Session is from 7 to 9 p.m.

On Friday, October 25 Guernsey plays classical and jazz piano from 6:30 to 8 p.m., then Hard Swimmin’ Fish headlines with rockin’ blues from 8 to 11 p.m.

Saturday, October 26 Greg Meyer’s Community Jazz Jam is from 1 to 5 p.m. Guernsey plays up-tempo jazz piano from 6:30 to 8 p.m., followed by the Chromatics harmonizing on astronomically-correct a capella songs from 8 to 11 p.m.

Sunday, October 27 the weekly deaf brunch discussion is from 10:30 to noon; the Not 2 Cool Jazz Trio plays from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. From 5 to 8 p.m. there will be a celebration of the 10 year anniversary of the Greenbelt Forest Preserve. It’s a celebration of how Greenbelt saved its Green Belt and created the Forest Preserve, as well as an opportunity to honor those who worked so hard to save Greenbelt’s woods. All are invited.



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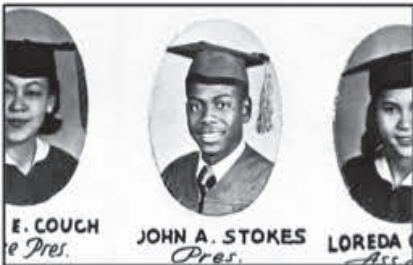
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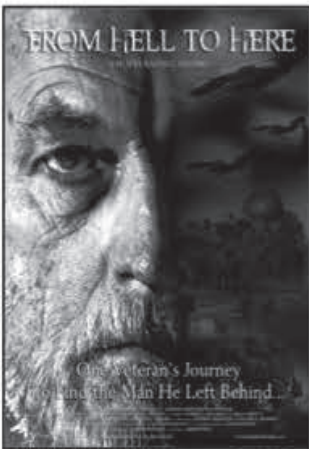
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A Girl Like Her: Thousands of unmarried pregnant girls and women in the 1950’s and 1960’s were shamed into relinquishing their newborns. Hear some of their personal stories. (12 pm Sunday, Oct. 20, P&G Old Greenbelt. Discussion follows)

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